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1. Plant No 91 (see 4 of Annex)a. Location:

The plant is in Beketovka (E 4415/N 48 25) on the western bank of the Volga River. The plant extends for several kilometers and has about 20 large workshops. the buildings indicated in annexed sketch.

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b. Work Force:

The total work force could not be estimated. There were about 700 PWs in each of the three 8-hour shifts.

c. Incoming Raw Material Shipments:

Salt, limestone, charcoal, and sulphur. The raw materials came partly on river barges, partly by rail.

d. Production in Some Departments:

(As far as PWs were prohibited to enter certain workshops).

(1) Department 3a:

Filling of mortar ammunition. Six hundred boxes, each containing three mortar shells, were processed during one shift. Work was done in two 12-hour shifts. One-man norm per shift: 40 boxes.

(2) Department 5: Production of chloride of lime.

(3) Department 6: Two different gases produced from sulphur and charcoal were mixed. During the mixing operation, a liquid was precipitated which was put into steel cylinders and shipped away by rail. sulphur and charcoal to the mixing containers. Eight men had to convey 24 tons of charcoal and 64 tons of sulphur per shift.

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2. Power Plant (see c of Annex)

a. The plant consists of the following buildings:

- (1) Boiler, turbine, and distributing house (see a of Annex) with about seven smokestacks rising 3 meters above the roof.
- (2) Two storage sheds (d of Annex)
- (3) Depot (e of Annex)
- (4) Administration building (b of Annex)
- (5) Coal dump (c of Annex).

b. Machine equipment:

There are eight furnaces in the boiler house, four in operation. A large new furnace was under construction after January 1947 and was almost completed in December 1947. According to Soviet information, this furnace will have the same output as the eight furnaces combined. [ ] in the plant only a few times and therefore could supply no detailed information.

c. Power supply:

This power plant will allegedly supply the Stalingrad Raion, according to Soviets. The power supply varied considerably during the time of observation and there are frequent shut-off periods.

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This report confirms information in a previous report.\*

(16) indicates for the first time that machines of the former Dyhernfurth (P 52/C 23) Sarin Plant were stored in the area of the Chemical Plant No 91 in Beketovka.

1 Annex: Chemical Plant No 91 in Beketovka

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Legend to Annex:

Legend to layout sketch of the Chemical Plant No 91 in Bexetovka

## A Plant No 91

- 1 Department No 1, about 400x100 meters
- 2 " No 2, about 300x100 meters
- 3a " No 3a about 150x50 meters
- 4 " No 4, about 200x50 meters
- 5 " No 5, about 150x50 meters
- 6 " No 6, about 200x70 meters, three-story structure
- 11 " No 11, about 150x50 meters
- 14 " No 14, about 50x30 meters
- 20 " No 20, about 100x50 meters

- D Storage place with machines of the Dyhernfurth Plant ✓
- C Power Plant (500x500 meters)
- a Turbine house (200x100 meters, four-story structure)
- b Administration building (50x20 meters, two-story structure)
- c Depot (150x50 meters)
- d Two storage sheds (each 50x50 meters)
- e Coal dump.

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